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Date: 24 Jul 94 10:20:33 -0500

From: ihnp4.ucsd.edu!swrinde!emory!europa.eng.gtefsd.com!MathWorks.Com!noc.near.net!news.tufts.edu!news.hnrc.tufts.edu!jerry@network.ucsd.edu

Subject: Alpha Bravo Charlie Delta: phonetic alphabets (revised)

To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

Don't forget the US telephone operator's phonetic alphabet . . .

A eighteen N any
B exist O au pair
C season P psychology
D licious Q cucumber
E eighteen, eulogy R architecture

F efficient S esteme G jeep T china H hour U youth

Date: 24 Jul 1994 16:53:32 -0400

From: ihnp4.ucsd.edu!library.ucla.edu!europa.eng.gtefsd.com!news.umbc.edu!hookup!news.sprintlink.net!news.clark.net!news.clark.net!not-for-mail@network.ucsd.edu

Subject: Buckmaster CD unreadable ??

To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

Greetings - I emailed this to buckmaster and got no quick response, so I am querying the world.

Subject: Problem reading CD

Greetings,

I just purchased a Buckmaster HamCall CD but am unable to get it to work on my system. I can list the directory and MAYBE type one or two of the readme files, but the menu.exe program locks up the system and any attempt to read files results in a hung machine.

I commented just about everything out of both the config.sys and autoexec.bat files, except the cd rom drivers and still can't read the cd. Has anyone seen or heard of similar problems with other machines or know of a fix??

486/33 machine
adaptec aha-1540b ctrlr
chinon cds-435 rev M62 drive
Corel SCSI CD drivers
DOS 5.0
Windows 3.1 (problem occurs under DOS and windows)

A change to Adaptec EZ-SCSI drivers doesn't help at all either. I will next try to read it under Linux and see if I can at least dump out the readme and text files.

thanks in advance for any help.

john

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John A. Evans, Capt, USAF
                                        "My number one goal as a
VHDL/EDA Engineer
                                        runner is to live long enough
N3Q00 Tech Plus !!!
                                         to place in my age group!!!"
jaevans@clark.net
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Mother's Breast Milk - Baby's drug of choice !!
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Date: Sun, 24 Jul 94 15:11:51 +1000
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boombox.apana.org.au!testbox.apana.org.au!ash@network.ucsd.edu
Subject: Can you identify this call sign? - 'NMN'
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu
In <CtCso7.A7D@cscsun.rmc.edu> dtiller@rmc.edu (David Tiller) writes:
>In article k3e@ionews.io.org, mike@io.org (Mike Stramba) writes:
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>> This morning at around 3:00 a.m. e.d.t, I heard on 12.71xx MHZ:
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     cq cq cq de nmn nmn nmn qru? k
>>
>> Any idea of who/what 'nmn' is? .. or where I could find out?
Isn't that Cutler, Maine?
Your nearest computer user group? Dial USA (914)876-6678 (recordings)
APCUG? Email apcug-info@testbox.apana.org.au
Subscribe to the User Group officers mailing list:
Email server@testbox.apana.org.au with "join ug-list" in message body.
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Date: Sun, 24 Jul 1994 07:56:23 GMT
From: ihnp4.ucsd.edu!swrinde!howland.reston.ans.net!EU.net!sun4nl!rnzl13!
sys3.pe1chl!rob@network.ucsd.edu
Subject: HEATHKIT radio clock and Linux?
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu
In <1994Jul22.005603.6777@madnix.uucp> zaphod@madnix.uucp (Ron Bean) writes:
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> In the case of WWVB (60KHz) and DCF77 (77.5KHz), the carrier >is simply turned off and on once per second, there is no audio.

>Since it is a 'longwave' signal, it propigates along the ground >and is not subject to atmospheric conditions. Broadcast power at >WWVB is 13Kw.

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> The data format for WWVB is different from both WWV and DCF77. >The cheapest receiver I've found for WWVB costs about \$700, even >though it should be easier to receive and demodulate than WWV.

If WWVB is really similar to DCF77 (I don't know WWVB) that price is ridiculous. Receivers for DCF77 can be bought for less than \$100.

Rob

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Date: 24 Jul 1994 07:17:39 +0200

From: ihnp4.ucsd.edu!swrinde!howland.reston.ans.net!EU.net!Germany.EU.net!ruhr.de!

smallo.ruhr.de!xivic.bo.open.de!not-for-mail@network.ucsd.edu

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\$700 is a ridiculous price. I got a DCF77 receiver for less than DM 60 (about \$40), and it had DOS/Windows software with it. I'm using it now under Linux.

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Wolfgang Schelongowski ws@xivic.bo.open.de

"Actually, it's not a rule," said Ridcully. "It's more a guideline."
-- Terry Pratchett, Lords and Ladies

Date: Sat, 23 Jul 1994 03:08:26 GMT

From: ihnp4.ucsd.edu!usc!nic-nac.CSU.net!charnel.ecst.csuchico.edu!yeshua.marcam.com!hookup!reptiles.org!geac!torsqnt!problem!vigard!

mdf@network.ucsd.edu

Subject: Jupiter decametric emission info

To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

pharden@Mr-Hyde.aoc.nrao.edu (Paul Harden) writes:
>Here is some basic information regarding Jovian decametric emissions to
>help answer some of the questions thus far raised on the net.

excellent post!

- > If the signal comes from space, it will
- > strike each antenna about the same time; if it comes from earth, the
- > signal will slide across the antennas one-at-a-time. Thus, only
- > coherent signals (those arrive about the same time) are processed as
- > coming from space.

what is the general configuration of these arrays? and i don't see what is preventing a on-earth signal from arriving at the array in a manner similar to what is expected for an off-earth signal. does this means that the arrays are absolutely mindbogglingly gigantic, or most of the terrestrial noise one receives has a source fairly close to the array? or some other reason?

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Matthew Francey
"live before you die"

mdf@vigard.mef.org ve3rqx@io.org GPS(NAD27): N43o34.210' W079o34.563' +0093m

Date: 24 Jul 1994 18:56:06 -0400

From: newstf01.cr1.aol.com!search01.news.aol.com!not-for-mail@uunet.uu.net

Subject: Newly licensed today!

To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

In article <9405120317102285@arbbs.simivalley.ca.us>,
bob.marselle@arbbs.simivalley.ca.us (Bob Marselle) writes:

Hey, I was recently licensed too (7/15/94). Ain't got a rdio yet BUT, A freind who works in Radio Shack let me use thier HTX-202 for the day, I tried to get onto one of the local repeaters... According to the lateset ARRL repeater directory, This particular repeater was tone controlled. Supposedly, the HTX-202 has the tone decode function but it doesn't tell how to use it. My point?? I tried to get on the air but I'm still EXTREMELY new to it. So if anyone can help me out, I would GREATLY appreciate it!!!!!

BTW: the repeater is, WA2LQO in Haupagge NY. Many 73's.....Bill Laukaitis N2ZUL

Date: Sun, 24 Jul 1994 14:18:49 MDT

From: tribune.usask.ca!quartz.ucs.ualberta.ca!alberta!ve6mgs!usenet@decwrl.dec.com

Subject: Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin #168

To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

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6W, SENEGAL. Jean-Louis, 6W6JX, has been very busy lately on 15/20/30/40 meters. Check these bands between 0630 and 0930z, and again between 1630 1900z. QSL is via CBA.

9M8, EAST MALYSIA. Dave, 9M8BT, has been on 20 meters. He was heard on 14220 and 14226 kHz (free style) between 1315 and 1500z. QSL via N5FTR.

D2, ANGOLA. There was a report that Rich, AA4HU, was heard active from here as D2/AA4HU. His length of stay and QSL information is unknown at this time. He was heard on the 14226 DX Net around 2245z.

DFO, RUGEN ISLAND (IOTA EU-057). NODXA members and dear friends, Holger/DL7VTM, Birgit/DL7VTZ, Falk/DL7UTA and Fritz/DL7VRO and his daughter Silke will possibly be active from July 29-30 and also participate in the RSGB IOTA Contest. The island is located in the Mecklenburg-Vorpommern State East Group. They may be using the callsign DFOFA. If the group does not make it to Rugen Island, they may go to Denmark to be active as OZ/DL7UTA, OZ/DL7VTM or OZ/DL7VTZ. Part of this group was active earlier this year from Zambia as 9I2A, 9I2M and 9I2Z.

DL8AAM/P. ISLAND OF FEHMARN (IOTA EU-128). Tom, DL8AAM, will be active from this Schleswig-Holstein State East Group during the IOTA Contest this coming weekend. QSL via the bureau is "OK".

FH, MAYOTTE. Elio, FH5CB, can be found almost daily on or around 14256 kHz between 0400 and 0500z. QSL via FH8CB (ed. YEP that is correct!).

IS1A/0S1A, PRINCIPALITY OF SEBORGA. This one continues to get interesting and intriguing every week. According to the ARRL DX Bulletin: Paul, I1RBJ (operator of IS1A/0S1A), has called the DXCC Desk and reported to them that he had returned from the ITU, and that under an agreement with the ITU and the Italian government, he would now be using the callsign IS1A/0S1A. (ed. So what does this mean for all those 0S1A contacts that were made?) Also, there will be a one day operation by 3A2LF as 3A2LF/0S0C on July 25 which will be CW only. The ARRL DX Bulletin also reports that the principality of Seborga is located 20 km north of Monaco and is 517 meters above sea level. The principality was established on 20 August, 959 AD. It is about 5 square km in area, and currently has 300 inhabitants. Amateurs are reminded that there is currently no DXCC status for this one.

OY, FAROE ISLANDS. Two stations were heard this past week on 20 meters. OY1R was heard on CW around 14040-50 kHz between 1245 and 1545z. QSL via W2KF. OY1HJ was heard on SSB, 14258 kHz around 1515z. QSL via OY6FRA.

R1MVI, MALYJ VYSOTSKIJ ISLAND. Just a reminder that this operation will take place between July 30-31. Not much is known about this operation other than that Russian and Finnish operators will be active during the first Russian CW & SSB DX Contest.

S2, BANGLADESH. Erik, S21ZG, continues to be active from here. He was heard on July 24th, on 14006 kHz at 0108z calling CQ, with very few takers.

TNOCW, CONGO (UPDATE). Rudi, DK7PE, has gone QRT from Brazzaville around July 19th and is back home in Germany. It took Rudi 2 years to negotiate with the Office National de Postes et Telecommunication (ONPT) to receive a permit to operate. During his operation, which began July 8th, Rudi logged almost 6000 QSOs on 9 bands using a vertical antenna for 40-10 meters, a quarter wave slope on 160 meters and a TS-50 plus an FL2100Z. Rudi has prepared all the documentation to be sent to the League. He is also considering another trip to Brazzaville sometime later this year.

V85, BRUNEI. V85KX was very active on 14025 kHz between 1230 and 1430z. QSL via G3JKX.

AN EARLY CONTEST STATION REPORT. Mike, NOBSH, reports he will be in PJ7-land in October for the the CQ WW SSB Contest. (ed. If there are any other early contest station reports, send them to the OPDXB!)

DXAC NEWS (From the DXAC and DX-Reflector on InterNet): The DXAC has received a new petition from W9ARV to add the Balleny Islands to the DXCC Countries List. The Balleny Islands are located in the Antarctic at Latitude 66 55S, Longitude 163 20E. The applicant claims they

qualify under Point 2A, greater than 225 miles from a Point 1 country. In this case the Point 1 country is New Zealand.

A new petition has been received from the Chinese Radio Sports Association (Wang Xun, BZ1WX) to add Huang Yan Dao (Yellow Stone Island) aka Scarborough Reef, to the DXCC Countries List. The applicant claims it qualifies under Point 2, Separation by Water. No supporting information was attached. The orginal petition was filed by Hans, DK9KX but was withdrawn a few weeks before the BS7H operation took place.

Also, a petition has been received from Nao Akiyama, NX1L, to add Austral Islands and the Marquesas Islands to the DXCC Countries List. The applicant claims it qualifies under Point 2, Separation by Water and that French Polynesia is a Point 1 country.

All three petitions as of press time have not been added to the DXAC's agenda by the DXAC Chairman Robert Beatty (W4VQ).

Jim Dionne, K1MEM, has been appointed DXAC representative for the New England Division, replacing Bill Shipp, KC1AG.

THE OHIO/PENN DX BULLETIN NOW HAS A MAILING LIST ON INTERNET! This Mailing List is for the sole purpose of mailing and distributing the Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin. This will make it easier for individuals to receive the bulletins. It will also make it easier for individuals to unsubscribe from the distribution list if they have to.

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and in the "Subject:" line put "subscribe" (no quotes).

Please continue to send DX information for the OPDX Bulletin via the following addresses only:

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-or-

aq474@cleveland.freenet.edu

BitNet Mail to: aq474%cleveland.freenet@cunyvm

PRODIGY Mail to: DFJH48A

Packet Radio to: KB8NW @ WA8BXN.OH.USA.NA

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and leave a message with the Sysop!

Remember! This is "YOUR" bulletin. I will continue to write the OPDX Bulletin as long as I continue to receive the input. As we head to the bottom of the sunspot cycle, information and DXpeditions become less and less. So "PLEASE HELP" and contribute DX information. Thanks to the many who have contributed information in the past.

73 and Good DX, Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW Editor of the OPDX

SPECIAL NOTE FROM EDITOR: There will probably be no bulletin next week (August 1). I am (and have been) on vacation. Please keep sending your DX information. (You never know, I may put one together if I receive enough information.)

FAX YOUR DX INFORMATION NOW! Faxing is available Monday/Wednesday/Friday from 0430 to 2330z only. The number is 216-237-8208 and the FAX card is sharing the same phone line as BARF-80 BBS using a data/fax/phone switch.

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au831@network.ucsd.edu

Subject: Reviving old NiCads

To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

I have an article on ni-cads that I saved from "monitoring times" magazine. it gives a complete insight on all the myths and fantasies on them. E-mail me if you wish to have a copy of it.

73's de N2ete

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Date: Sun, 24 Jul 1994 20:39:56 GMT From: world!barnaby@uunet.uu.net Subject: Reviving old NiCads

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From: ihnp4.ucsd.edu!library.ucla.edu!csulb.edu!csus.edu!netcom.com!
wa2ise@network.ucsd.edu
Subject: Socks here ,, New "Q" signal QSS: color & size of your socks
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu
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>>I'm not sure why, but in the past week or so, I've had gsos with a
>>number of people who, in addition to telling me the temperature at
>>their QTH, have volunteered the size and color of their socks. I
>>don't know if this is the beginning of a fad, or if I've simply missed
>>this bit of info in previous gsos, but I am now responding in kind.
What is the "Q" signal for socks? "QSS"? Use the resistor color code
to state color:
                 and 2nd number is size:
QSS 6 10 = my socks are blue, size 10
QSS 7 9 = my socks are violet, size 9
QSS 9 11 = my socks are white, size 11
QSS 1 8 = my socks are brown, size 9
QSS 0 10 = my socks are black, size 10
QSS 4 7 = my socks are yellow, size 7
etc.
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Date: Sun, 24 Jul 1994 03:05:49 GMT
From: ihnp4.ucsd.edu!swrinde!emory!sol.ctr.columbia.edu!caen!malgudi.oar.net!
witch!doghouse!jsalemi@network.ucsd.edu
Subject: U.S. op in Canada?
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu
In article <CtEA8G.AF2@world.std.com>, David R Tucker (drt@world.std.com) writes:
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>I'd be interested in what your source is when you say you must have >your original license with you. GR2(9) says a photocopy is OK, and I

>can't find anything in the rules that contradicts that for US
>operators. Did you have any problems with a photocopy, or something?
>

I've never operated in Canada, but I have heard third-hand (on Compuserve) of a couple of US hams who had problems because they didn't have they didn't have their original license on them. The wallet-size portion seems to be sufficient, though.

73..joe

Joe Salemi, KR4CZ Internet: jsalemi@doghouse.win.net Compuserve: 72631,23 FidoNet: 1:109/136 MCI Mail: 433-3961

Date: 24 Jul 94 11:15:47 EST

From: ccsua.ctstateu.edu!white@yale.arpa

To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

References <94202.184415U40241@uicvm.uic.edu>, <424@doghouse.win.net><CtEA8G.AF2@world.std.com>, <427@doghouse.win.net>teu. Subject : Re: U.S. op in Canada? More ?

What about sales receipts for gear broungt into/out-of Canada? I've heard that all gear must be accompanied by the original sales receipts. True?? Harry/N1QVE

Date: Sun, 24 Jul 1994 16:53:04 GMT From: gsm001!gsmlrn@uunet.uu.net

To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

References <424@doghouse.win.net><CtEA8G.AF2@world.std.com>, <427@doghouse.win.net>, <1994Jul24.111547.1@ccsua.ctstateu.edu> Subject : Re: U.S. op in Canada? More ?

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: that all gear must be accompanied by the original sales receipts. True??

: Harry/N10VE

When a U.S. citizen enters the U.S., with exceptions, they will have to pay duty on any items manufactured outside the U.S. One exception is an item that was already "dutied". To prove that the duty was paid, you need to show that the item was already in the U.S. This can be done by a receipt showing the manufacturer, model and serial number. You can also go to the local U.S. customs office (before leaving) and register items.

I've never done it, but you may be able to use a notarized declaration that you owned the item as long as its from before your departure.

73

Geoff.

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"I am number six. Others come and others go, but I am always number six." (From the movie "Eminent Domain".)

Geoffrey S. Mendelson N30WJ (215) 242-8712 gsm@mendelson.com

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From: ihnp4.ucsd.edu!usc!math.ohio-state.edu!magnus.acs.ohio-state.edu!csn!

jabba.cybernetics.net!not-for-mail@network.ucsd.edu

To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

References <kthompso.207.00090EE0@WichitaKS.NCR.COM>, <30pinc\$jgv@tivoli.tivoli.com>, <30spqf\$6im@safety.ics.uci.edu>, Subject : Re: info ATLAS 310 trx?

In article <30spqf\$6im@safety.ics.uci.edu>,
Clark Savage Turner <turner@safety.ics.uci.edu> wrote:

>I don't know about this "scam", but the Atlas radio company is real >and has built several decent radios. The latest advertised was >the 310, and it was not a hoax, I worked a prototype..... The owner >of Atlas radio is down near San Diego, and you can talk to him on >the phone. (His name is Herb, he used to build Swan radios).

I spoke to my buddy who has had a deposit down on the 310 for 1-1/2 years...he agrees that Herb is a great guy...and is to be trusted.

It is true that the prototype exists...but the one you worked will not be the one delivered.

> >It is true that he advertised his radios a year ago and I have never >seen one delivered. This may be due to his overextending himself or >technical difficulties - neither is excusable. However, Herb is not >a bad fellow to my knowledge. > >Clark >WA3JPG

It is true that Herb *continues* to advertise the phantom 310... apparently the *new* digital domain (as opposed to the analog design of the 210) was improperly engineered and ended up with lots of birdies....and had to be redesigned...hence the unbelievable delays.

Perhaps advertising dollars are short and that is why the ad now only appears in CQ magazine. :^) On the other hand, maybe QST quietly told them to stop advertising until it ships? Wh knows? But I do know that CQ will take ad money from anyone...like that ad in there for a box that will match any antenna to 50 ohms without any tuning adjustment (i.e. an encapsulated 50 ohm resistor according to ARRL's xray technician). ;^)

73/Steve/	AB4EL
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